

INFORMAL EX. AMDT.

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# I. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

*Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 22, line 14 with the following paragraph:*

--The primers shown were synthesized by MWG Biotech (Ebersberg, Germany) and the PCR reaction was carried out by the standard PCR method of Innis et al. (PCR protocols. A guide to methods and applications, 1990, Academic Press) with the Taq-polymerase from Boehringer Mannheim (Germany, Product Description Taq DNA polymerase, Product No. 146 165). With the aid of the polymerase chain reaction, the primers allow amplification of an internal fragment of the *citA* gene [[480]] 481 bp in size. The product amplified in this way was tested electrophoretically in a 0.8% agarose gel.--

*Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 23, line 5 with the following paragraph:*

--The following microorganism was deposited as a pure culture ~~on 23.01.2001~~ at the German Collection of Microorganisms and Cell Cultures, Mascheroder Weg 1b, D-38124 Braunschweig, Germany <sup>January 19, 2001</sup> on January 23, 2001 in accordance with the Budapest Treaty:

- *Escherichia coli* Top10/pCR2.1citAint as DSM 13998.--

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